

Marshall Team Meeting  
March 6, 2006

DA01/D. King – Presented Level I Safety Performance Awards to Teledyne Brown Engineering (Jim Link, President, and John Nugent, Safety Manager) and Jacobs Sverdrup (Randy Lycans, General Manager and Mike Weibert, Safety and Quality Manager). This award is Marshall's highest level safety recognition for an on-site contractor. The contractor must score 36 or higher on our safety program evaluation system (40 is the maximum possible) and maintain a mishap rate of less than 50% of the national average for their industry.

Attended the Agency Conference on Excellence in Washington last week where the George Low Awards were presented along with other individual awards. Two of the Center's contractors received awards. Teledyne Brown received a finalist award in their specific category, and ATK Thiokol received an award in the large product category. Congratulations to both of these fine companies.

Mike Griffin and the International Space Station (ISS) partnership counterparts from Europe, Japan, Canada, and Russia held a news conference last Thursday (March 2) where it was announced 16 Shuttle assembly flights are required to finish the work on the ISS.

We recently had Congressional staffers from the Senate Appropriations Committee and Senator Shelby's office visit Marshall and the NASA Space Science and Technology Center (NSSTC). These visits went really well.

The X-37 free-flight is scheduled for Friday, March 10. The backup date is Saturday, March 11.

Marshall's Integrated Management Systems Board (IMSB) will meet tomorrow, March 7.

DD01/C. Chitwood - Attended the Operations Management Council offsite with Shana Dale last week in Washington.

DE01/R. Henderson – The Center is about to enter into the budget planning cycle. This is a priority activity for the Center, and specific date requirements will be addressed with all organizations in the near future.

QD50/D. Davis – Presented a "Return to the Past" briefing relating to a safety accident that occurred on June 8, 1967, in the Center's test area resulting in loss of life. The Center's monthly Industrial Safety Report status was presented, and an update on tornado safety was also provided. Charts used in these briefings are posted at Inside Marshall.

CS10/S. Durham – Team Redstone celebrates Women's History Month on March 23, 2006, 10-11:30 a.m., at the Sparkman Center's Bob Jones Auditorium. The guest speaker

will be Command Sergeant Major Michelle Jones, Army Reserve Command, Washington, D.C. The program will also recognize some “women firsts” for Team Redstone. Bus service will be provided to and from the event.

PS01/S. Beale - MSFC received approval on three acquisition strategy meetings at Headquarters last week. They were: (1) Restructure of the Reusable Solid Rocket Motor (RSRM) contract, (2) Restructure of the Space Shuttle Main Engine (SSME) contract, and (3) Robotic Lunar Exploration Program (RLEP2) start. The review of the draft Request for Proposal (RFP) for recompetition of the Security Services contract is scheduled for today (March 6).

ED01/A. Priskos – Mr. Rudolphi is at Ames Research Center today.

LS01/W. Hicks – Announced plans to retire April 3, 2006.

MP01/K. Brock – The External Tank (ET) 119 is at Kennedy Space Center and is being prepared for the next launch. Evaluations continue with engineering and safety and mission assurance teams. There will be a solid rocket motor firing at ATK Thiokol this Thursday, March 9.

JP01/S. Cook – Bottom-up program planning review for the Crew Launch Vehicle (CLV) went well last week. Received great support from the Center.